

Munchkin Reads

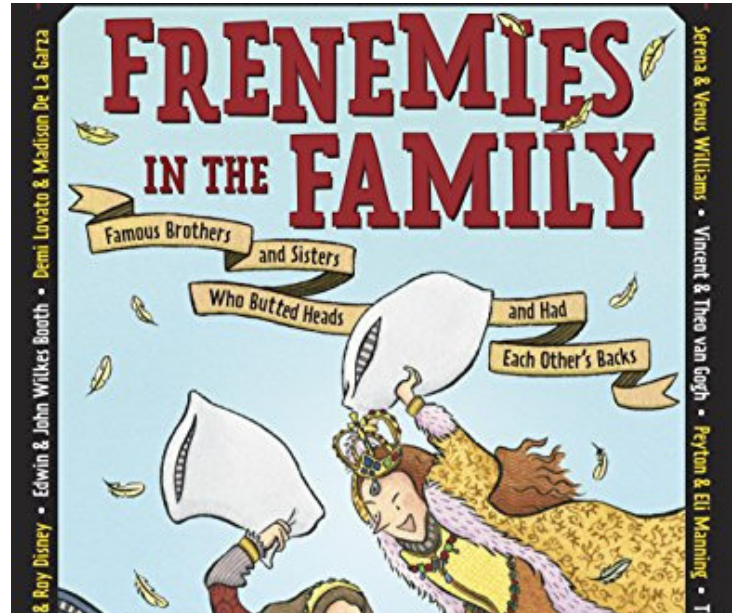
KIDS BOOK SUBSCRIPTION FOR BUSY PARENTS

FRENEMIES IN THE FAMILY BY KATHLEEN KRULL



CONVERSATION STARTERS

- Which pair of siblings do you think cooperated the most?
- How did Theo van Gogh help his impossible brother and talented artist Vincent?
- Which story surprised or shocked you?
- Which sibling pair was the most competitive? Use details from the text.



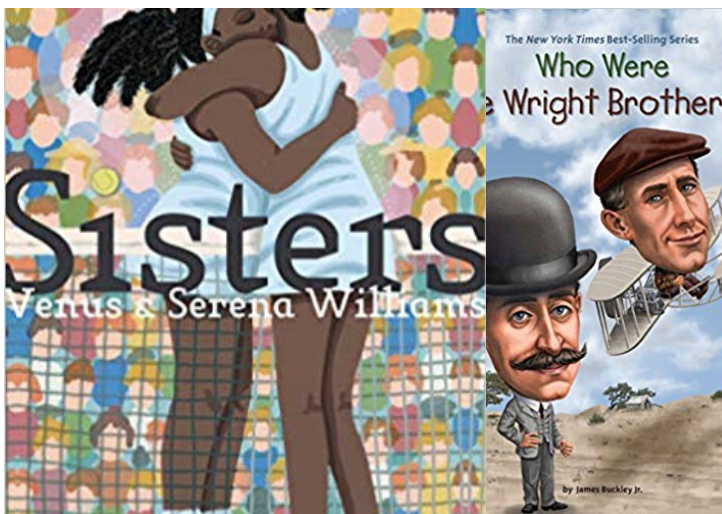
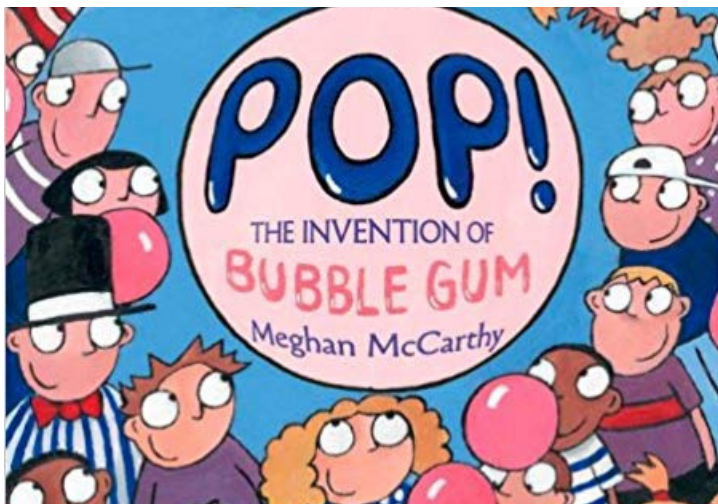
PLOT SUMMARY

Sibling relationships are complicated – whether you're famous or not. This non-fiction book gives readers a real-world taste of family dynamics.

Conjoined twins Chang and Eng Bunker traveled the world together—and even got married to local sisters. Older brother Cooper inspired football stars Peyton and Eli Manning. The Wright Brothers worked together six days a week to achieve their dream: Man's first flight.

Others have complicated relationships. Cutthroat sisters Mary I and Elizabeth I fought (and almost killed each other) for the crown. When John Wiles Booth assassinated Abraham Lincoln, his brother Edwin said, "I cannot understand why my brother did this."





IF YOU LIKE FRENEMIES IN THE FAMILY...

- Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum by Meghan McCarthy
- Sisters: Venus & Serena Williams by Jeanette Winter
- Who Were the Wright Brothers by James Buckley Jr.



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MAKE YOUR OWN STARRY NIGHT

Vincent and Theo van Gogh are among the sibling pairs featured in this book. Vincent's *Starry Night* is known for its vibrant colors, bright stars and strong, swirling lines that convey movement & emotion. Recreate the magic at home.

Materials

- White paper
- Crayons (white, gray, black & yellow)
- Watercolor paints
- Gold star stickers (optional)

Directions

- Turn your paper horizontally
- Use a yellow crayon to draw a crescent moon
- Add curling & swirling yellow lines
- Use grey, white and black crayons to do the same
- Place star stickers
- Dip a paintbrush into diluted blue watercolor paint & cover the paper with paint
- Watch as your masterpiece turns into a night sky

Adapted from Parents.com



CREATIVE WRITING FOR KIDS

Write a true story about you and a sibling when you may have had a misunderstanding. What happened? How was it solved? Only child? Create a story about two sibling rivals. Place them in an unseal setting (campsite, ancient castle, tennis court)...and have an adventurous tale.

